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### SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT BASED ON FAILURE TO RECEIVE OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R §1.181(a)

On December 27, 2001, Applicants received a Notice of Abandonment (mailed December 19, 2001) stating that the above-identified application is abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on March 27, 2001.

Practitioner submits that the Office letter mailed on March 27, 2001 was never received by the practitioner. Practitioner submits that a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office letter was never received.

According to 37 C.F.R. §1.181(d) and M.P.E.P. 711.03(c), Applicants believe that no fee is due.

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- 1. Fax Transmittal Form; and
- 2. Supplement to Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Based on Failure to Receive Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. §1.181(a).

Applicants' representatives wish to thank Examiner R. Bragdon for repeatedly suggesting and requiring more appropriate language for the above-mentioned Petition.

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